

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A hose having comprising:
a connector at an end portion thereof of the hose for providing a connection with a an associated unit, the connector ~~comprising~~ including a first ~~moulded~~ molded member having an inner annular surface ~~moulded~~ molded to an outer annular surface of said end portion to provide a fluid-tight connection with the end portion; and,
a fastener for fastening the connector to the associated unit.
2. (Currently Amended) A hose ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 1, wherein the fastener is ~~for fastening~~ configured to fasten the first ~~moulded~~ molded member to the associated unit.
3. (Currently Amended) A hose ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 1, wherein the connector ~~comprises~~ further includes a second ~~moulded~~ molded member, wherein said first ~~moulded~~ molded member is ~~moulded~~ molded between the second ~~moulded~~ molded member and the hose end portion so that an outer annular surface of the first ~~moulded~~ molded member corresponds in shape to an inner annular surface of the second ~~moulded~~ molded member to allow relative rotation between the first ~~moulded~~ molded member and the second ~~moulded~~ molded member, wherein the fastener is ~~for fastening~~ configured to fasten the second ~~moulded~~ molded member to the unit, and wherein, when the hose is connected to the unit, relative rotation between the hose and the unit is allowed.
4. (Currently Amended) A hose ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 3, wherein the outer annular surface of the first ~~moulded~~ molded member is ~~moulded~~ molded against the inner annular surface of the second ~~moulded~~ molded member to provide a

fluid-tight connection therebetween.

5. (Currently Amended) A hose ~~as claimed in any preceding~~ according to claim 4, ~~wherein~~ further including an annular seal is ~~moulded~~ molded about the first ~~moulded~~ molded member for sealing an annular space between the first ~~moulded~~ molded member and the fastener.

6. (Currently Amended) A hose ~~as claimed in any of the preceding claims,~~ wherein the hose comprises according to claim 5 further including an inner tube for the passage of fluid and an outer sleeve for providing support for the inner tube, and wherein the inner annular surface of the first ~~moulded~~ molded member is ~~moulded~~ molded to an outer annular surface of both the inner tube and the outer sleeve.

7. (Currently Amended) A hose ~~as claimed in any preceding claim,~~ having a according to claim 3 further ~~said~~ including a second connector at an opposing end hose portion thereof for providing a connection with a second associated unit at the opposing end portion.

8. (Currently Amended) A hose ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 7, ~~when dependent on claim 3,~~ wherein at least one of said end portion and said opposing end portion has a said connector which allows relative rotation between the hose and the unit when connected to the unit.

9. (Currently Amended) A hose ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 8, wherein the connector is configured for connecting the hose to an attachment for relative rotation between the attachment and the hose.

10. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a hose having a connector at an end portion thereof for providing a connection with a an associated unit, the method comprising the steps of:

inserting a core inside a hose end portion to support the hose end portion during ~~moulding~~ molding;

~~moulding~~ molding a first moulded member with an inner annular surface thereof ~~moulded~~ molded to an outer annular surface of said end portion;

withdrawing said core; and,

positioning a fastener at said end portion for fastening the connector to the unit.

11. (Currently Amended) A method ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 10, further comprising the steps of:

~~moulding~~ molding a second moulding member prior to ~~moulding~~ molding the first ~~moulding~~ molding member;

positioning the second ~~moulded~~ molded member relative to the hose end portion so that the first ~~moulded~~ molded member is ~~moulded~~ molded between the second ~~moulded~~ molded member and the hose end portion so that an outer annular surface of the first ~~moulded~~ molded member corresponds in shape to an inner annular surface of the second ~~moulded~~ molded member to allow relative rotation between the first ~~moulded~~ molded member and the second ~~moulded~~ molded member; and,

positioning the fastener at said end portion for fastening the second ~~moulded~~ molded member to a unit.

12. (Currently Amended) A method ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 10, further comprising the step of:

~~moulding~~ molding an annular seal about the first ~~moulded~~ molded member for sealing an annular space between the first ~~moulded~~ molded member and the fastener.

13. (Currently Amended) A shower assembly comprising:

a shower base unit;

a shower head unit; and,

a hose as claimed in any of claims 1 to 9 having a first said connector at one said end portion thereof for providing a connection with the shower base unit; and a second

said connector at an opposing said end portion thereof for providing a connection with the shower head unit, for allowing the supply of water from the shower base unit to the shower head unit.

14. (Currently Amended) A shower assembly comprising:
a shower base unit;
a shower head unit; and,
a hose for the supply of water from the shower base unit to the shower head unit, the hose having a connector at an end portion thereof for providing a connection with the shower head unit;

wherein the connector comprises: a first moulded member and a second ~~moulded~~ molded member, the first ~~moulded~~ molded member being ~~moulded~~ molded between the second ~~moulded~~ molded member and the hose end portion, the first ~~moulded~~ molded member having:

an inner annular surface ~~moulded~~ molded to an outer annular surface of said end portion to provide a fluid-tight connection with the end portion; and,

an outer annular surface which corresponds in shape to an inner annular surface of the second ~~moulded~~ molded member to allow relative rotation between the first ~~moulded~~ molded member with the second ~~moulded~~ molded member,

wherein the connector further comprises a fastener for fastening the second ~~moulded~~ molded member to the shower head unit, and wherein, when the hose is connected to the shower head unit, relative rotation between the hose and the shower head unit is allowed.

15. (New) An apparatus in combination comprising:
a hose member;
a connector at a first end portion of the hose member for providing a connection with an associated first unit, the connector including a first molded member having an inner annular surface molded to an outer annular surface of said first end portion to provide a fluid-tight connection with the first end portion; and,

a fastener for fastening the connector to the associated first unit.

16. (New) The apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the first molded member is attached with the associated first unit by said fastener.

17. (New) The apparatus according to claim 16, wherein:

the connector further includes a second molded member, said first molded member being molded between the second molded member and the hose end portion so that an outer annular surface of the first molded member corresponds in shape to an inner annular surface of the second molded member to allow relative rotation between the first molded member and the second molded member; and,

the fastener is configured to fasten the second molded member to the unit, and wherein, when the hose is connected to the unit, relative rotation between the hose and the unit is enabled.

18. (New) The apparatus according to claim 17, wherein the outer annular surface of the first molded member is molded against the inner annular surface of the second molded member to provide a fluid-tight connection therebetween.

19. (New) The apparatus according to claim 18, further including an annular seal molded about the first molded member for sealing an annular space between the first molded member and the fastener.

20. (New) The apparatus according to claim 16, wherein said hose member includes an inner tube for the passage of fluid and an outer sleeve for providing support for the inner tube, and wherein the inner annular surface of the first molded member is molded to an outer annular surface of both the inner tube and the outer sleeve.

21. (New) The apparatus according to claim 17, further including a second connector at an opposing end hose portion thereof for providing a connection with a

second associated unit at the opposing end portion, wherein at least one of said end portion and said opposing end portion has a said connector which allows relative rotation between the hose and the unit when connected to the unit, and, wherein the connector is configured for connecting the hose to an attachment for relative rotation between the attachment and the hose.